FROG RACCOON STRAWBERRY

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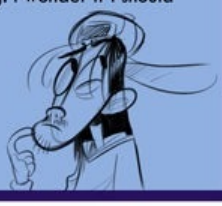
PREVIOUSLY ON FROG RACCOON STRAWBERRY

Hey, wow! New storyline time! I get to talk about different stuff! Ok, so during the course of the last story, The Walrus destroyed Crappy Crapartments, the crapartm.... apartment house that January O'Kaye lived in. Also, since people always forget, I should mention that Strawberry has a future version of herself named Strawberry Extreme that freeloads in her house. Oh, also, Strawberry's still kinda grumpy 'cause she dated this guy she was fawning over for a long time and it didn't work out. I think that covers everything.

It feels good to begin anew. I like this new header thing they gave me. A raise would've been nicer, but I suppose that would involve me putting effort into these and not editorializing so much. I'm pretty good at Dig Dug. I wonder if I should go pro...



-Sal the Recap Guy

MARISSA! THANKS SO MUCH FOR LETTING ME STAY IN YOUR FOLKS' BASEMENT WHILE I FIND A NEW PLACE!
THINK NOTHING OF IT, JANUARY. MÍ CASA DE LOS PADRES ES SU CASA.
I'M JUST GLAD I WAS ABLE TO SALVAGE ANY OF MY STUFF AT ALL, LET ALONE A FEW BOXES FULL.
HOW DID YOU FIND ANYTHING IN THAT PILE OF KAIJU RUBBLE ANYWAY?
THANKFULLY, NOVELTY COW WAS ABLE TO DIRECT US TOWARDS IT AND EXTREME USED HER SUPER STRENGTH TO LIFT UP THE PIECES OF BUILDING... BUILDING PIECES.
FRANKLY, THAT RAISES MORE QUESTIONS THAN IT ANSWERS.
NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH BEING: HOW DID YOU GET EXTREME OFF MY COUCH AND ONTO DOING ANYTHING FOR ANYBODY?
BRIBED HER WITH A TWINKIE. HERE YA GO, HON.
AHH, BRIBERY. I WONDER IF I COULD USE THAT METHOD TO SCORE A BOYFRIEND.
DID YOU REALLY JUST SAY THAT?! I THOUGHT FOR SURE YOUR TIME AWAY FIGHTING WOULD GET YOUR MIND OFF JOSH.
STRAWBS!! GROSS!!
YEAH... I THINK I JUST GROSSED MYSELF OUT THERE... SORRY, GLASSES GIRLS.
THIS REALLY ISN'T ABOUT JOSH. I DON'T WANT JOSH. NOT NOW. NOT AFTER THAT.

BUT THE WHOLE JOSH EXPERIENCE AWAKENED A PART OF ME THAT WANTS TO BE WITH SOMEONE.
I NEVER USED TO FEEL THAT WAY. IT DISTRUBS ME. IT DISTRUBS ME THE WRONG WAY.
I'M... LONELY.
WHICH MEANS I'M A REAL TEENAGE GIRL. ...WHICH IS THE WORST THING THAT HAS EVER HAPPENED TO ME.
AWW, STRAWBY. I'D SAY BEING SUDDENLY HOMELESS IS WORSE THAN BEING A TEENAGE GIRL, BUT THAT'S PROBABLY NOT TRUE.
PAT PAT
LE SIGH.
AND SENT. YOU HAVE A DATE TONIGHT WITH MY FRIEND CHUCK.
WHAT?

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Oh, hello. Here's what you need to know in order to enjoy today's comic strip: Strawberry pined over this guy in a band, Josh, for a really long time. They went on a date, and it was a disaster. One superhero team-up later, Strawberry's over Josh, but still feels lonely. Hearing this, Marissa set Strawberry up on a date with some guy named Chuck.

Say, that was pretty painless! Looks like it's rom-com time all up ons. Y'all watch Degrassi? I can't believe Dave's ex got hit by a car, dude. I thought his texting-while-driving was going to kill her. Seriously, though, that'll teach her to stand between Dave and Alli. Mm-hmm.

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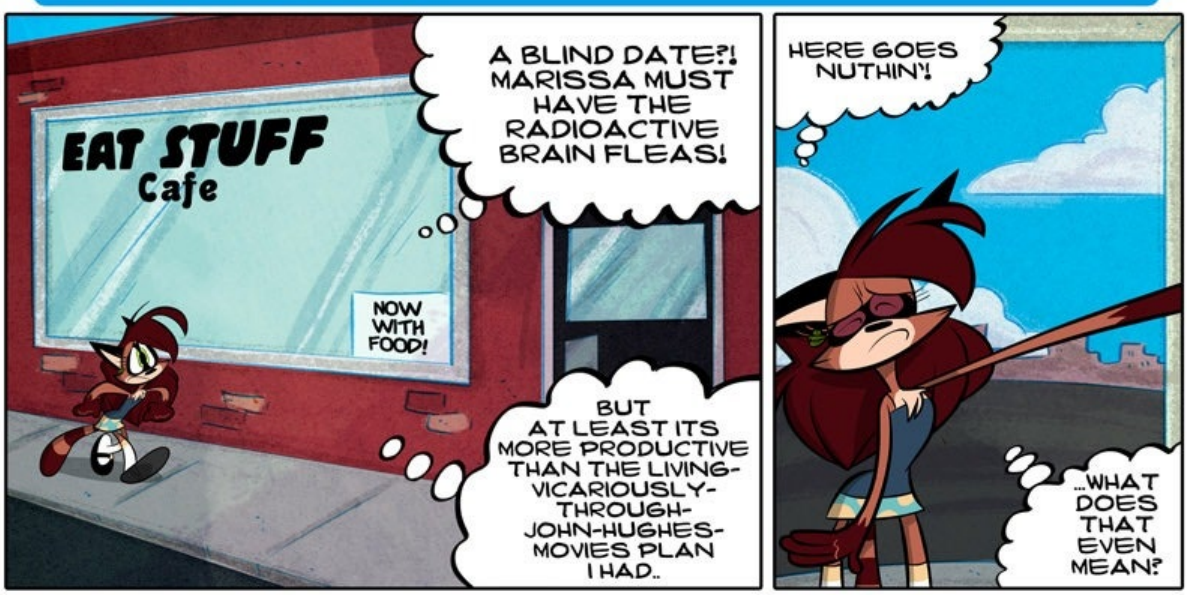
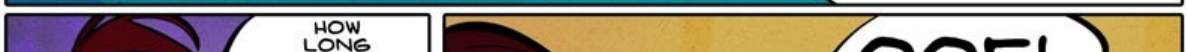

EAT STUFF
Cafe
NOW WITH FOOD!
A BLIND DATE?! MARISSA MUST HAVE THE RADIOACTIVE BRAIN FLEAS!
BUT AT LEAST ITS MORE PRODUCTIVE THAN THE LIVING-VICARIOUSLY-THROUGH-JOHN-HUGHES-MOVIES PLAN I HAD..
HERE GOES NUTHIN'!
...WHAT DOES THAT EVEN MEAN?



HAVE YOU BEEN STANDING THERE? AND WHAT IF I WASN'T STRAWBERRY?
APPROIXIMATELY 10 MINUTES, AND I WOULD'VE BEEN WOEFULLY INCORRECT TO BE SURE. SHALL WE TAKE A SEAT?
OOF!
MOST EMBARRASSING BLUNDER.
I'M SO IMMEDIATELY TURNED-OFF. IS HE WEARING A FLIPPIN' SNUGGIE?
SO CHUCK, YOU'RE A SLUSHMORE ACADEMY STUDENT TOO?
AND FAILING WITH FLYING COLORS, I MIGHT ADD! IT'S REMARKABLE THAT WE'VE NOT CROSSED PATHS BEFORE THIS DAY.
YES, I'D THINK I WOULD'VE SEEN YOU COMING.
AND...
...WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO FOR FUN?
WELL, I DO ENJOY FALLING OFF THE OCCASIONAL LOG OR TURNIP TRUCK, SHOULD ONE PRESENT ITSELF. I ENJOY ASKING WHERE CLEARLY-LABELLED ITEMS ARE IN SUPERMARKETS FOR AN INEXPENSIVE THRILL. OH, AND I DO ENJOY A QUICK JAUNT TO THE CLIFFS FOR A BIT OF LEAPING SHOULD SOME OTHERS ALSO BE DOING SO.
AH, LOVELY!
I'M GOING TO DESTROY EVERYTHING MARISSA LOVES USING DENTAL INSTRUMENTS.

OH, AND IN THE FALL, A LONG STROLL OFF AN UNDERSIZED PIER CAN BE SURPRISINGLY REFRESHING!

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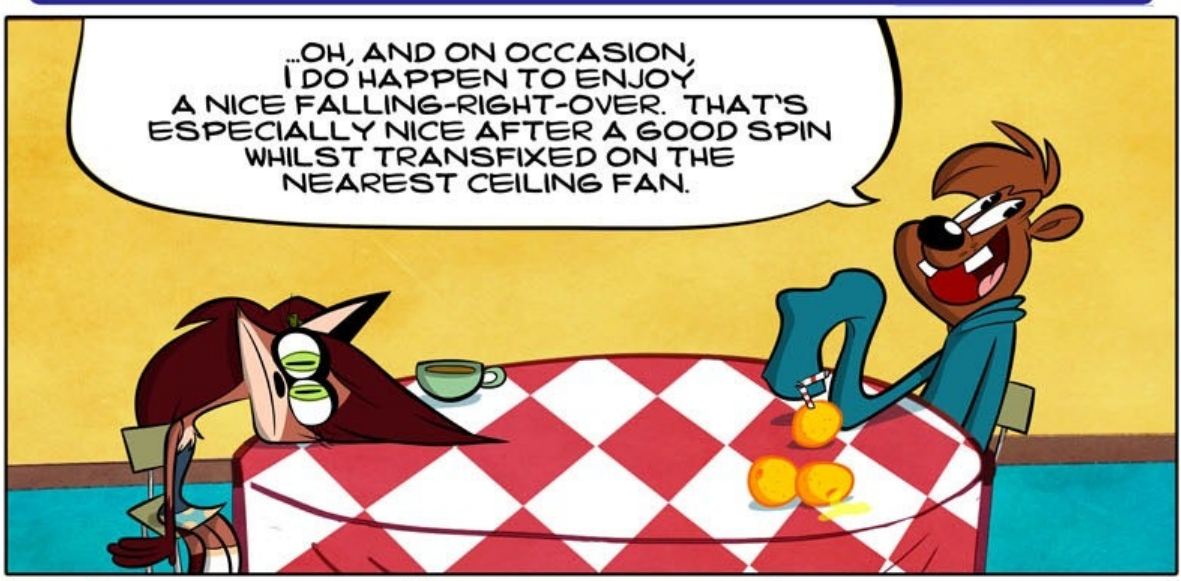
Hey, guys. Looks like we've got some new readers, so I guess I have to do my job or whatever. Strawberry Fields, teen superher-- I mean... helperton, is growing up and it's making her uncomfortable. A short while ago, she went on a date to the first guy she's ever been attracted to and it went horribly. One superhero team-up later, Strawberry's pretty much over that guy, but still feels lonely. Hearing this, her best friend/Alien-American Marissa Leepthrok set her up on a blind date. Said blind date is with Chuck Woods, an oddly-verbose village idiot. We rejoin her on this blind date.

Gremlins 2 just came out on Blu Ray... I wonder if it'll have an entirely different part in the middle... you know, 'cause the movie and video versions have different middle parts. Actually, the novelization had an entirely different middle part! So awesome. Do yourself a favor and see if you can find The Spinto Band on Daytrotter reading a section of that novelization, and then find XOC doing a full-band cover of the entire Gremlins II NES soundtrack. Have I alienated everyone? Excellent.

-Sal the Recap Guy


...OH, AND ON OCCASION, I DO HAPPEN TO ENJOY A NICE FALLING-RIGHT-OVER. THAT'S ESPECIALLY NICE AFTER A GOOD SPIN WHILST TRANSFIXED ON THE NEAREST CEILING FAN.

JUST BY BEING SILLY. I MEAN, I'M SILLY.
CHILL OUT MOMENT
CHUCK, I AM TOTALLY SORRY.
I EH... HM?
I HAVE BEEN BORING AND AWFUL THIS ENTIRE DATE, AND YOU'VE DONE NOTHING TO DESERVE IT.
CAN WE DECLARE THIS NOT-A-DATE AND JUST HAVE A GOOD TIME?
OH, HEAVENS! SAY NOT ANOTHER WORD! BY ALL MEANS, MAY THIS SIMPLY BE TWO PERSONS BECOMING ACQUAINTED RATHER THAN SOMETHING AS LOFTY AS A "DATE".
SUCH FOLLY, THIS BUSINESS OF "DATES." WHO CAN TRULY GET TO
YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE A CERTAIN

KNOW ANYONE UNDER SUCH PRESSURE?
STRANGE WISDOM ABOUT YOU, CHARLES.
ACTUALLY, MY FULL-LENGTH MONIKER IS NOT, IN FACT, "CHARLES." MY NAME IS "CHUCKLES STEAKINGTON WOODS!"
HA! IS THAT TRUE?! SO NOT JUST CHUCKLES, BUT CHUCK STEAK? THAT'S CRAY CRAY!
WHILST I REALIZE I SHOULD BE EMBARRASSED, IT MERELY AMUSES ME (AS MOST THINGS DO).
HEY STRAWBERRY!!
PREPARE TO FACE THE PREPAREDNESS OF
THE

ALTERNATIVE FIVE

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Look, "Kamen Rider × Kamen Rider Fourze & OOO: Movie War Mega Max" is out and there's really no reason I should be here, holding your hand, instead of re-watching it on an endless loop, so let's make this quick.

Strawberry was feeling lonely, so Marissa set her up on a blind date. Strawberry, despite being a goofball, is not interested in other goofballs romantically, so her date with Chuck Woods was a disaster until such time that it was declared not-a-date. Things were finally going well until the Alliterative Five suddenly busted into the joint. '

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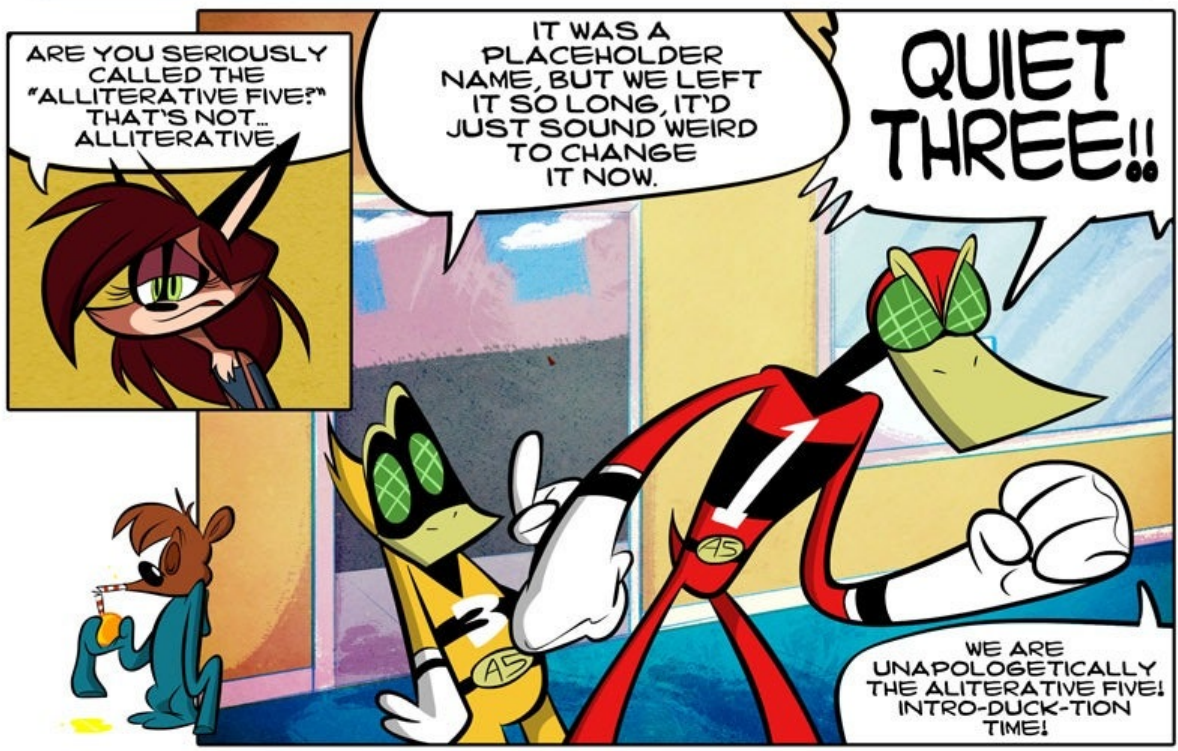
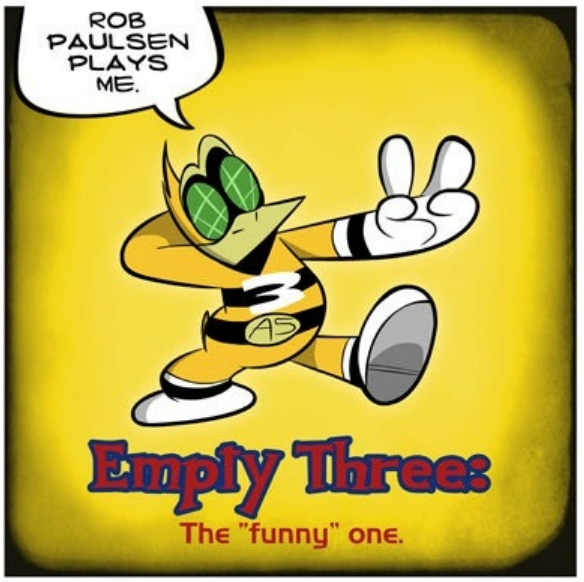
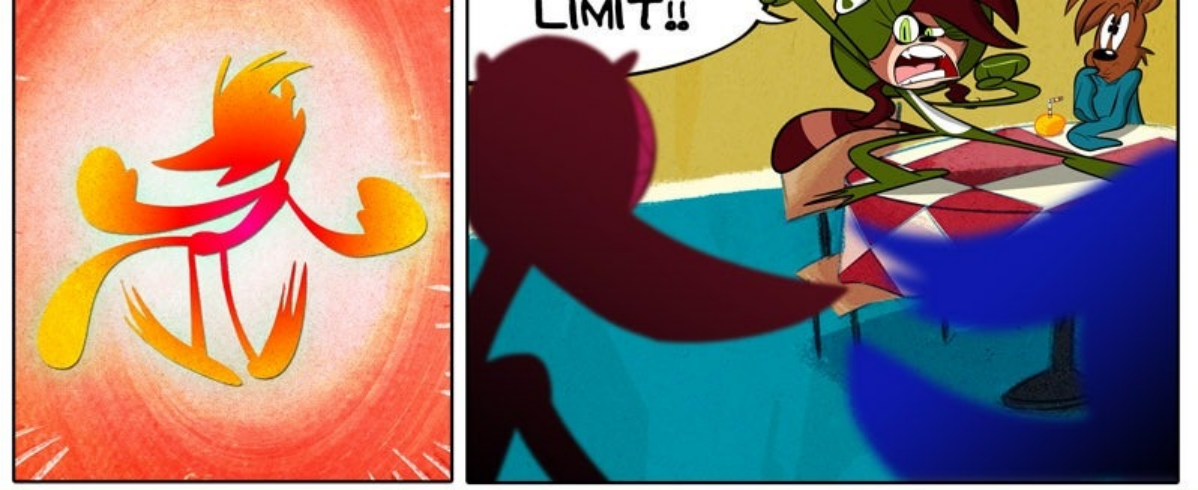

ARE YOU SERIOUSLY CALLED THE "ALLITERATIVE FIVE?" THAT'S NOT... ALLITERATIVE.
IT WAS A PLACEHOLDER NAME, BUT WE LEFT IT SO LONG, IT'D JUST SOUND WEIRD TO CHANGE IT NOW.
QUIET THREE!!
WE ARE UNAPOLOGETICALLY THE ALITERATIVE FIVE! INTRO-DUCK-TION TIME!

The boring leader.

The misunderstood emo.

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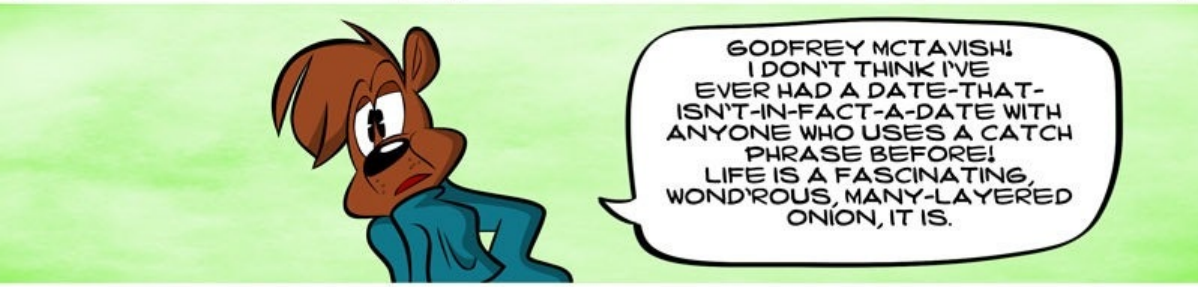
GODFREY MCTAVISH! I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER HAD A DATE-THAT-ISN'T-IN-FACT-A-DATE WITH ANYONE WHO USES A CATCH PHRASE BEFORE! LIFE IS A FASCINATING, WOND'ROUS, MANY-LAYERED ONION, IT IS.

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What? Guh. Ok. Sorry, I was taking a nap. For, like, a day. It's Diablo related. I'm still annoyed that Diablo Cody isn't in it.

Anyway, the part that matters is that Strawberry was set up on a blind date with a smart idiot named chuck that they quickly declared a non-date. No sooner did they start actually having fun than a squad of evil duckies called The Alliterative Five busted in and... introduced themselves hardcore.

I'm going back to sleep.

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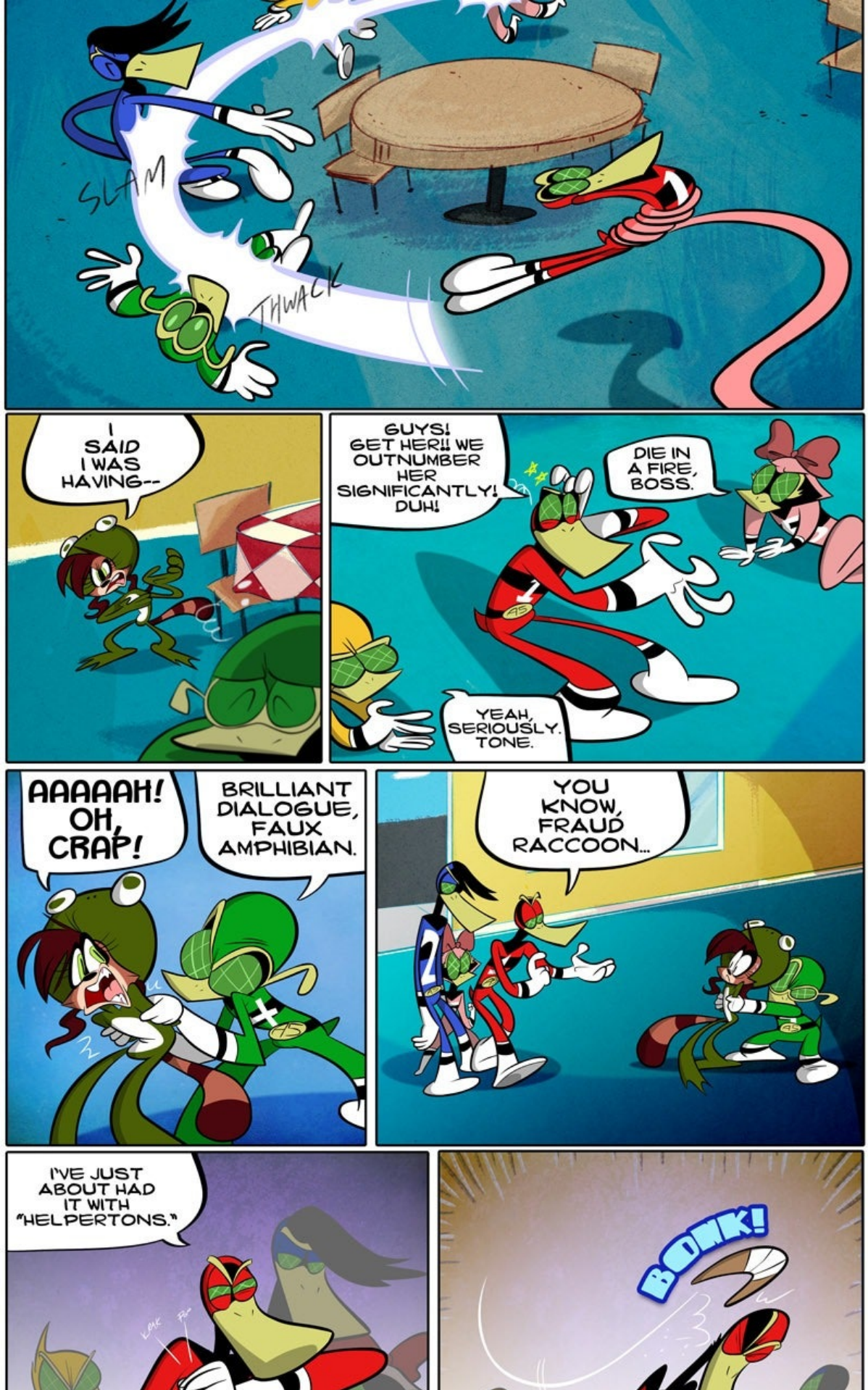
SLAM
THWACK
I SAID I WAS HAVING--
GUYS! GET HER!! WE OUTNUMBER HER SIGNIFICANTLY! DUH!
DIE IN A FIRE, BOSS.
YEAH, SERIOUSLY. TONE.
AAAAAH! OH, CRAP!
BRILLIANT DIALOGUE, FAUX AMPHIBIAN.
YOU KNOW, FRAUD RACCOON...
I'VE JUST ABOUT HAD IT WITH "HELPERTONS."
BONK!

HEY, DUCKIÉS.
AIN'T IT TIME YOU FLEW SOUTH?
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YEAH. FINALLY. Ok, so look. Strawberry was set up on a crappy blind date with this dumb-but-verbose guy named Chuck. He's cool, but not Strawbs' type. They declare it a dateless outing and it starts being fun. Just then, these Super Sentai-ripoff ducks called The Alliterative Five bust in and introduce the crap out of themselves. They all tangle and while Strawberry gets some sweet froggy moves in, they ultimately capture her. Gross. Anyway, just as Juan Enchanted (the #1 duck) is about to start beating up our lady of perpetual ribbits, a myserious boomerang saves her butt. I assume a guy named Caterang threw it 'cause the comic was named after him. Did y'all know these comics have titles? They totes do.

Remember how I was going off about Gremlins II and seperately Kamen Rider Megamax? I watched them both on the same weekend. It was GLORIOUS.

-Sal, the Recap Guy

THAT'S FROG TO YOU!!
OH, FIDDLESTICKS.
NICE OF YOU TO JOIN ME.
THAT'S MY LINE! I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BUT YOU RAWK!
BOOMERANG STRIKE!!
GASP VIOLENCE!!
BUDDY SMASH!!
(THANKS, CHUCK!)
PLEASURE TO BE OF ASSISTANCE!
UPPERCAT!
POKE OF

YOU FAIL TO UNDERSTAND ME, SO YOU'RE THE BAD GUY!
DOOM!
(J'ACCUSE!)
EVER DONE A COMBINED STRIKE, MISS STRAWBERRY?
NOPE BUT... I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO.
CAT'S GOT YOUR TONGUE!!

I REALLY MUST DINE AT THIS ESTABLISHMENT MORE OFTEN.

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Uhhhhh, look.... if you're just joining us now, you've just missed the whole story arc. Just... backtrack a little bit.

Anyway, Strawberry and a dashing guy named Caterang just gave the Alliterative Five their walking papers. Their villainous ducky butts totally wrecked Strawberry's non-date with a delightful goofball named Chuck Woods. This was Strawberry's first date since her disasterous date with Josh Lotor, an emo rocker boy that she had her eye on for a long time. Funny, it seems like Strawberry just isn't into other silly people.

I want you all to know I wrote this before E3 because from that point on, I AM UNAVAILABLE.

-Sal the Recap Guy

IT WAS WONDERFUL TO FINALLY MEET THE ILLUSTRIOUS STRAWBERRY FIELDS
I BET YOU SAY THAT TO ALL THE FROGS.
I MUST GO FOR NOW, BUT WE'LL SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN VERY SOON.
OK, I HAVE GOT TO LEARN HOW TO POOF.
CAT POOF!
CHUCK, BUDDY, I AM SO SORRY FOR ALL THAT. OUR NON-DATE GOT ALL HIJACKED.
OH, NOT AT ALL, DEAR GIRL! IT WAS AN ABSOLUTE CAUTION!
SHALL WE GET OUTTA HERE? I'M BUSHED AND WE'VE GOT SCHOOL IN THE MORNING.
LET'S SHALL INDEED!
SO... THIS IS A WEIRD QUSTION, BUT YOU'RE A WOODCHUCK, RIGHT?
OH GOSH, NO, MILADY! I'M A BEAR!
HUGE BRICK WALL
A BEAR?!

BUT YOUR NAME IS CHUCK WOODS!
WELL... YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT BEARS AND THE WOODS...

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Oh, hey! New storyline time! So... no huge backstory needed from me today. Here are some basics for the n00biest of n00bians: So, Strawberry's co-best gal pal is January O'Kaye, a geek-fabulous college girl. She works at Bean There, a durn fine coffee shop along with her co-workers Mindy Zorch (aka Strawberry's rival Lemonade) and Marissa Leepthrok.

Ubisoft won E3.

Sea Jetter Kaito won my life.

-Sal the Recap Guy

I JUST SAW THE TRAILER FOR THE MOVIE ADAPTATION, SO I PICKED UP VOLUME ONE. HAVE YOU HEARD OF IT?
THE GRAPHIC NOVEL SERIES RUNNING FOR NEAR THE PAST DECADE? WHY WOULDN'T I HAVE?
HARRY PILGRIM AND THE PRECIOUS LI'L STONE

OH... WELL, I JUST FOUND OUT ABOUT IT.
STRAWBERRY, I'M SURPRISED AT YOU! LIKING SOMETHING JUST BECAUSE IT'S SUDDENLY POPULAR?!
NO, I ONLY *DISCOVERED* IT BECAUSE IT'S POPULAR.
HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY REALLY LIKE IT IF YOU READ IT AMONGST HYPE?!
ARE YOU IMPLYING THAT LIKING SOMETHING FIRST SOMEHOW MEANS YOU LIKE IT BEST?! THAT'S ABSURD!
LOOK, YOU'RE JUST COMING OFF AS POSERY. THAT'S ALL I'M SAYING.
YOU KNOW WHAT? I'LL TAKE THIS TO GO. I WANNA FINISH READING AT HOME.
AND I'M ONLY LEAVING A TWELVE PERCENT TIP IN THE JAR.
OH, GO... GO WATCH "POM POKO" WITH THE LIGHTS TURNED DOWN!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT REFERENCE!
PRECISELY!

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Let's see... what do you need to know... January just got on Strawberry's case for getting into a graphic novel series because the movie trailer looked cool. Strawbs stormed out of the coffee shop. Can't blame her. Other stuff you need to know for this comic: Sheepica is one of Strawberry's classmates who became a big fan after Strawbs did a big Pay Per View show. Strawberry once clobbered Sheepica with a massive thesaurus after she repeatedly called Strawbs "random". Also, the frog's name is Marco. He think's Strawberry's racist.

Peter Venkman vs Tony Stark in a one-liner fight! GO!

-Sal, the Recap Guy

WERE YOU FIGHTING WITH STRAWBERRY? I THOUGHT YOU WERE FRIENDS!
I KNOW THAT BECAUSE I'M HER NUMBER ONE FAN. I LIKE HER SINCE SHE'S SO...
foaaaaaaaam.
...CIRCUITED.
THE SAURUS
I THINK YOU ACCIDENTALLY LOOKED UP "WIRED."
HEY, JUST BECAUSE I NEED TO WORK ON MY VOCABULARY DOESN'T MEAN I'M BAD AT...
...CRIMSONING.
THE SAURUS
WELL, IF YOU WANNA KNOW WHAT I THINK--
I DON'T, REALLY.
IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE THE BRAIN BUNNIES HAVE INFESTED
LESS TALKIES, MORE LETTING ME COOL

IT'S GOOD TO SEE FIELDS TAKEN DOWN A NOTCH.
I SAID I DIDN'T WANNA KNOW.
OF YOUR MIND.
OFF FOR A MOMENT...IES.
WHAT THE BUTT?!
YOU!!
ME!
WHO?
HI.
WHY DO I KEEP COMING HERE?!

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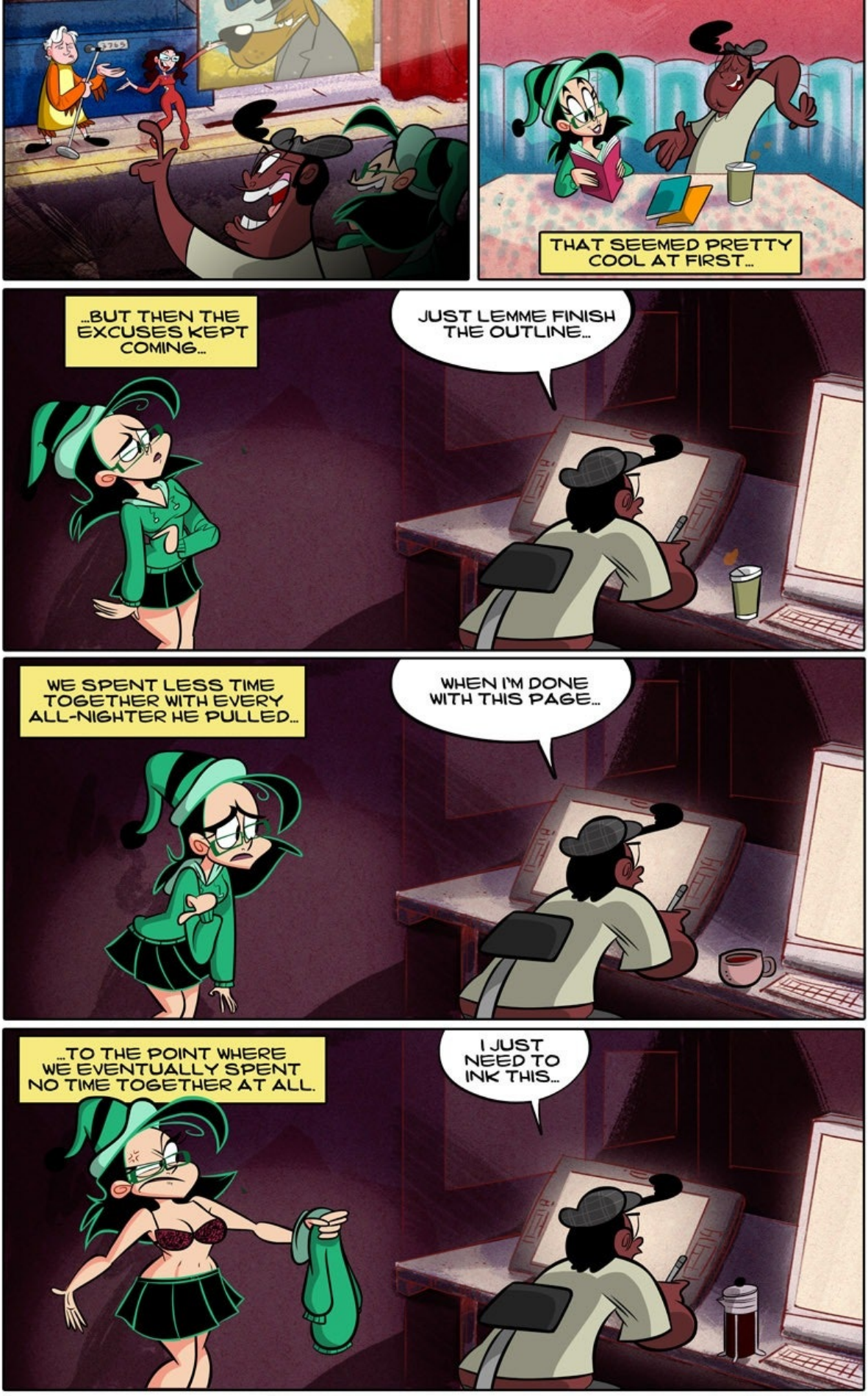
Strawberry was trying to read "Harry Pilgrim and the Precious Li'l Stone" because she saw the trailer for the upcoming movie adaptation and it piqued her interest. January got on her case claiming that such an act was posery. Shortly after Strawberry stormed out of Bean There, a dude suddenly popped out of hapless, mean-spirited Marco's coffee.

You got Pac Man in my Smash Brothers!

-Sal the Recap Guy

I, CLUTCH EMBARGO, HAVE COME VIA ESPRESSO EXPRESS FOR YOU!
WHAT DID YOU DO?
WHAT DID I DO?! NOT "WHAT HAPPENED?" OR "WHAT IS HE TALKING ABOUT?"

YOU'RE NOT GONNA FLASHBACK, ARE YA?
WHAT OF IT?
FOOL! THE KEY TO GOOD STORYTELLING IS "SHOW, DON'T TELL!"
TOUGH NIPPLES, I'M DOING IT ANYWAY.


THAT SEEMED PRETTY COOL AT FIRST...
...BUT THEN THE EXCUSES KEPT COMING...
JUST LEMME FINISH THE OUTLINE...
WE SPENT LESS TIME TOGETHER WITH EVERY ALL-NIGHTER HE PULLED...
WHEN I'M DONE WITH THIS PAGE...
...TO THE POINT WHERE WE EVENTUALLY SPENT NO TIME TOGETHER AT ALL.
I JUST NEED TO INK THIS...

YOU'RE DATING YOUR COFFEE NOW MORE THAN YOU'VE EVER DATED ME!!
THAT WAS THE LAST THING I SAID TO HIM UNTIL TODAY.
I TEXTED MY BREAK-UP TO HIM THAT NIGHT.
OH, THAT'S WHAT YOU DID!! THAT'S COLD.
WILL YOU BUTT OUT, AFROG?!
THANK YOU!